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Remarks on the Craftsman's Vindication, &c.

THE Gentleman poſſeſſes an enormous eſtate of above 9000 l. *per ann.* all acquired only by a *Secretary of the Treaſury*. The Miniſter's eſtate, far from being exorbitant, was acquired in ſo high a ſtation, as at the *head of the Treaſury*. P. 51.

The *Fee-ſimple* of which poſſeſſions this Gentleman obtained on *very eaſy* terms, by the favour, indulgence, and aſſiſtance of *that Miniſter*, whom he hath ſworn to deſtroy. P. 52.

An Anſwer to one Part of a late infamous Libel, intitled Remarks, &c. *in which the character and conduct of Mr.* P. *is fully vindicated. In a Letter to the moſt noble Author.*

THE *Secretary-ſhip of the Treaſury* is moſt certainly, *Sir*, a very good Employment; and for that reaſon you have been extremely in the right always to have either a *Brother*, or a *Son* in it. But really, *Sir*, the *Secretary* did not get 9000 l. *a year* there; and yet, I think, he enjoy'd that Employment, either ſolely or in part, for *three ſucceſſive reigns*; after which he did not leave at his death 40,000 l. in money (great part of which he raiſed by ſale of his *paternal eſtate*) and not above 500 l. *a year* in land, which came to him by inheritance; part of which is now a leaſe from the *City*, and part a leaſe from a *Biſhop*. P. 38, 39.

It is true, indeed, that *this Gentleman* hath a very large *eſtate*, which hath been in his family for many generations. Some part of this was held by a *leaſe from the Crown*; of which there was a term of 99 *years* to come, after a Term, that was then in being. His *Grandfather* left his eſtate in *Truſtees*, to be ſold for the purchaſe of other lands of inheritance. Upon this occaſion he apply'd to the *Crown* to buy off the inheritance, not as a favour, but as a fair purchaſer, and was at the expence of an *Act of Parliament* to obtain it. He paid more than Sir *Iſaac Newton*, or any other Calculator, computes the value of ſuch a purchaſe to be: for it coſt him altogether, with charges, a year's purchaſe to make it inheritance; nor would he have given one ſingle ſhilling for it, if it had not been to get his eſtate out of *Truſtees* hands. This is the fact, and the value of the *eſtate* thus purchaſed, was not above 12 or 1300 l. *a year*, which is but a ſmall part of *this Gentleman's* eſtate, even according to your own calculation; moſt of which was land of inheritance before. P. 40, 41.

The *fairneſs of the bargain* prevented all oppoſition to the progreſs of the Bill. *Ibid.*

The Free Briton, Numb. 83. *By* FRANCIS WALSINGHAM, Eſq; *Author of the* Remarks, &c.

I Did not ſay that the *Secretary* of the Treaſury *left him the eſtate at his death*; for he gave the greateſt part of it to Mr. P.'s family *whilſt he was alive*. ——— Let him ſhew, if he is able, *that his eſtate did not* originally *belong to the* Publick; that his Grandfather, Sir *Will.* P. had not his Grants paſſed both in K. *Charles* II.'s time, and in K. *William*'s, during the *credit* and *influence*, as alſo by the *means* and *procurement* of the ſaid *Secretary*. P. 3. Col. 1.

Sir T. C. and H. G. Eſq; his Grandfather's Truſtees, do, by their Petition to K. W. III. in 1693, aver, that the *whole yearly value* did not then exceed 650 l. —— He gives us an account of 12 or 1300 l. *per ann.* which by K. *William*'s Grant was given for 99 *years*; and by an Act of the late K *George*, was in 1721 made *Fee ſimple*. His intimate Friend Mr. *Cholmley*, then *Surveyor General*, Partner in the Borough of *Heydon* with Mr. P. and returned by his intereſt, valued the *immediate rents* at 2047 l. 7 s. *per ann.* This *Surveyor* ſet the *Fine* at 500 l. only, and the charges of an Act of Parliament are not 100 l. ſo that inſtead of giving *one year's* purchaſe, he obtained this *Freehold* at little more than *one quarter's* purchaſe. Whereas, if the *Fine* had been calculated on that *valuation* of that eſtate, at the rate of 4 *per cent. compound* intereſt, he ought to have paid above 1000 l. *Fine. Ibid.*

The *Parliament* knew nothing at all of the bargain. The Act *enabled* the King to *ſell* the land; and he ſold it according to the eſtimate of Mr. P.'s *own Friend. Ibid.*

And now, *Sir*, having been forced to give you ſo very minute and circumſtantial an account of the eſtate of *this Gentleman*, it ſeems not unreaſonable to expect ſome account of *your own*. —— Lord, *Sir*, if an inquiry was to be made into this, what a ſcene of iniquity would be diſcloſed? It would be certainly one of the moſt curious *ſecret Hiſtories*, that ever was publiſhed. — If you was obliged to explain what your eſtate is; where it lies; when you got it; how you got it; from whom you got it; what wonderful diſcoveries ſhould we make? — Bribes would appear without number, from the time of the *Scotch Forage Contract* to *Wood*'s *Patent*. It muſt needs be a very entertaining ſubject to read how much you have got at the *head of the Treaſury*; in Exchange-Alley; by *Jobs*, ſale of *honours*, *places*, *penſions*, and *pardons*; by *ſecret ſervice money*, given to *fictitious names*; by the prudent management of *Navy Bills*, *Army Debentures*, and other *publick Securities*, by which you have gained immenſely, and ruined thouſands, from the infamous *Bank Contract* down to the laſt bargain you made with the *Eaſt-India Company*. —— I know but *one other eſtate in England*, which hath been *ſcraped* together by ſuch means; and I make it a queſtion, whether all mankind will not allow the Proprietor of it to be the honeſter man; *Him*, I mean, whom you lately ſaved from the gallows; and it is the only thing you ever did in your life for nothing, when you had an opportunity of making a penny; but perhaps, you might think the ſimilitude of your characters and circumſtances made it impolitick to let Him ſuffer the puniſhment, which he deſerved. P. 42, 43, 44.

You may remember, *Sir*, that you came to him at midnight, and though He had neither ſpoke to you, nor taken the leaſt notice of you for two years before, with a pale countenance and a trembling voice you told him, *that a man had writ you a letter, diſcovering a moſt horrid plot againſt you, and that your houſe was to be pulled down, and plundered that very night.* —— Your Neighbour looked with diſdain upon you, and, with a ſmile, aſked you, whether *you*, who had been a *Miniſter* ſo long, could ſtill be afraid of a Penny-Poſt Letter? This put you ſomewhat out of countenance, however uncommon it may be: but recovering yourſelf a little, you reply'd, that *This* was more than a common *Penny-Poſt Letter*; for the man, who had overheard the Conſpiracy, had ſign'd his name; that he then lay wounded at the George Tavern, and Mr. *Jenkins*, your truſty ſervant had ſeen him. —— The *Gentleman* laugh'd at you extremely; adviſed you to go home and ſleep quietly, if you could, and he would warrant you that night from any harm. —— The next morning you ſeem'd very much concern'd at your own indiſcretion, and ſpared no pains to ſuppreſs the ſtory. P. 45, 46.

The Fact was this, as I have been informed: ſome years ago this Honourable Perſon received one night, as he was going to bed, a letter from a perſon of ſubſtance, credit, and character; who coming late that evening through *St. James's-ſquare*, when it was repairing, ſaw a light by one of the places which the workmen had boarded in; and ſtanding on the other ſide, heard much diſcourſe about ſetting fire to *this Gentleman*'s houſe, in what manner it ſhould be fired, with *ſpecial directions* not to miſtake it. Upon which he went up to them, and aſked the meaning of this diſcourſe. They, ſurprized and angry, *beat* him much, and left him *wounded*. Thus wounded he lay at the *George in Pall-Mall*; Mr. *Geekie* the Surgeon, now living in *Charles-ſtreet*, dreſt thoſe wounds. ———The *Honourable Perſon*, who, doubtleſs, was more ſurprized than afraid, muſt think, it being a *caſe of fire*, that, in meer humanity, his next door Neighbours ought to know it. — Mr. P. was ſo very far from making a jeſt of it in his own mind, that thoſe who remember any thing of this ſtory, do believe, according to the beſt of their memory, that Mr. P. ſet *watches all night within his houſe, and without his houſe*, that he might *ſleep in peace* as well as his Neighbours. *P. 3. Col. 2.*

This then, I am told, he avers, upon his *Honour*; that you told him of the reconciliation between the *late K*— and the then P—— *of* W——; and that a bargain was made for thoſe *Whigs*, who had reſigned their Employments, to be put in again by degrees. To this the *Gentleman* reply'd; *who pray is it, that hath had authority to make this bargain?* —— Your anſwer was, *I have done it with the* Miniſtry, *and it was inſiſted on, that no body but L.* Townſhend *ſhould know of the tranſaction. Neither L.* Cowper, *the* Speaker, *nor any one elſe knew it; and therefore we hope you will not take it amiſs, that it was kept ſecret from you.* ——— *Not I*, ſaid the *Gentleman*; *but I think it very odd that any one ſhould preſume to take a plenary authority upon himſelf, to deal for ſuch numbers as were concerned in an affair of this conſequence.* —— *We have not*, ſaid you again, *had our own intereſts alone in view. We have bargain'd for all our Friends. I am to be at the Head of the Treaſury.* L. Sunderland *had a great deſire to retain the diſpoſition of the* ſecret-ſervice-money; *but I would by no means conſent to that.* You named ſeveral others, who were to come into Employments; and ſaid, *We know, Sir, that you do not value any thing of that kind; ſo we have obtained a* Peerage *for you.* It ſeems you did not, at that time, pretend that the *Gentleman* either *expected, or inſiſted on any Employment.* ——— To this He reply'd, with ſome warmth; *Sir, if ever I ſhould be mean enough to ſubmit to being* ſold, *I promiſe you, that* you *ſhall never have the* ſelling *of me. A* Peerage *is what, ſome time or other, I may be glad of accepting, for the ſake of my family; but I will never obtain it by any baſe method, or ſubmit to have it got for me upon ſuch terms by you. But pray, Sir,* (continued the *Gentleman*) *ſince you acquaint me with the terms you have made for* me;

1. No man alive can imagine, that this ſtory hath any ſignatures of truth. It is *private converſation*, repeated 10 years after it was ſpoken, trumped up in *anger*, with views of *revenge*. —— 2. It is utterly improbable, that when Mr. P. had abuſed and reviled Sir R. W. in one breath, Sir R. ſhould in the very next treat him with ſo much confidence, as to give him the power of being his utter ruin and deſtruction. ——— 3. It is plain, that the *Perſon aſſerting* never knew yet the nature of the reconciliation, negotiated between the late King and the preſent King, by the late E. of *Sunderland*, E. *Stanhope*, and Mr. Secretary *Craggs*, who met and conferred on his *late Majeſty's part*, with the D. of *Devonſhire*, L. Viſc. *Townſhend*, and this *Honourable Perſon*, on the part of the then P. of W. The *Honourable Perſon* could not ſay that none but Lord *T.* and *himſelf* were ſuffered to be in the *ſecret*; becauſe the late D. of *Devonſhire* was equally entruſted. —— 4. Mr P. could not object, that the *Honourable Perſon* ſhould take upon him ſuch *plenary* power. His *preſent Majeſty* allowed him to treat, his *late Majeſty* appointed *others* to treat *with him*; and it is altogether *incredible*, that after ſo great a *mark* of *honour*, *favour* and *diſtinction*, that he ſhould treat his *Royal Highneſs* with ſuch amazing contempt and diſdain. — 5. *Facts* and *dates*, thoſe ſtubborn things, are againſt this *wicked* and *fooliſh* ſtory. The *reconciliation* was made, and the Prince went to Court upon *April*, 1720. When he went his Friends were *reſtored*. The *Honourable Perſon* was in conſequence made *Pay Maſter General* of the Forces. He came into the *Treaſury* April, 1721, a *full year* afterwards, upon a new turn of affairs, little foreſeen at the time of the reconciliation; namely, the *iſſue of the S. Sea Scheme*. And therefore for him to ſay, that he was to be *in the Treaſury, before that the* late *L.* Sunder-

what are these you have made for the P——, *who hath acted so honourable and steady a part to Those, with whom he engaged*, and who are now in opposition to the Court? —To this you answer'd, with a sneer, *why he is to go to* Court *again, and He will have his* DRUMS *and his* GUARDS, *and such* FINE THINGS. —— At this the *Gentleman* was astonish'd, and thought proper to press you a little farther, by asking you, *whether the* P—— *was to be left* Regent *again, when the King went out of* England. —— No, said you, WHY SHOULD HE?——*What!* reply'd the *Gentleman, have you stipulated for share of Royalty for* yourself, *and is the* P. —— *to live like a* private Subject? — The *Gentleman* avers, upon his *Honour*, that your answer was this: HE DOES NOT DESERVE IT. WE HAVE DONE TOO MUCH FOR HIM; AND IF IT WAS TO BE DONE AGAIN, WE WOULD NOT DO SO MUCH. —— Upon this the *Gentleman* went directly to the P——, and humbly represented upon what terms the reconciliation was founded. He told him, that he was sold to his *Father's Ministers* by *Persons*, who consider'd nothing but *themselves*, and their *own interest*. This was thought by him to have had some weight, at that time, with the P——; though the *Gentleman* did not think it proper to tell him the whole that had pass'd. — I believe I may affirm that, besides the view of obtaining other Employments, the promise of a *Noli prosequi* upon a Grant of a Place in the *Custom-House*, which was apprehended to be *illegal*, was one of the chief motives to this *reconciliation*. P. 54, 55, 56, 57.

They ask, *In whom have we seen* strongest *evidences of that* vindictive *temper, which prompts to* personal *spite and resentment?* I answer, In that *meek* and *humble* Man, whose *vows of destruction*, whose *horrid imprecations* and *outrage* have been fitter for *Hockley in the Hole*, than for St. *Stephen's Chapel*. P. 52.

He laid down his Employment in the *War Office*, for the sake of this very Minister, whom he then supposed would soon, from publick necessity, come into power again, and be able to give him a better Place. P. 49.

I scorn to enter *into private life*. P. 59.

You seem, Sir, to be terribly afraid of this *Gentleman*; and the *vow of destruction*, which he is represented once to have made, seems to run strangely in your head. You call it an *horrid imprecation*, and your *Dunciad Advocates* have represented it, a thousand times over, as the most *bloody-minded vow*, that ever was made, becoming a *Polish Diet* rather than an *English Parliament*. Now, I think it perfectly agreeable to the nature of an *English Parliament* (I mean an *honest, uncorrupt one*) to scrutinize into the actions of *Ministers*, and even to *destroy* them, if they should appear to be either *wicked* or *weak*. — I am pretty confident, Sir, that if an accusation should be lodged against you, on either of *these heads*, your *Ministry* would soon be *destroyed*, and this *terrible vow* made good. P 44. —— The distress, in which you have involv'd yourself, hath obliged you to tamper with several Gentlemen in the *Opposition*, and to put your own vile glosses on these Negotiations, when you have failed in them. They are now come to a determined Resolution, and it is a measure taken amongst them, not to listen to any *Treaty* of this kind whatsoever, in which the first and principal condition shall not be *to deliver you up to the justice of your Country*. P. 47.

Have you not entered into the minutest parts of *this Gentleman's domestick affairs?* Have you not pretended to give an account of his *family estate*; how he came by it, and in what manner it was required?

Have you not reproached him with his *sparing, scraping nature*; his *vindictive temper*; his *spight* and *ambition?*

Would not any man be inclin'd to think you either a Fool or a Madman? P. 60.

I do not think myself, or *this Gentleman*, obliged to justify the *Craftsman*. He writes a weekly Paper, in which, no doubt, many hands are concerned. You, Sir, are much more answerable for all the atheistical stuff, and vile political maxims, advanced in the London Journal, which every body knows to be propagated, by your authority, at the publick expence. P. 58.

I abhor to copy from their ever memorable *Proper Reply*, or from any of their other *filthy Libels*; which have spared no *family affairs*, no *personal secrets*, or *private correspondencies*. *Ibid.*

An *infamous Pamphlet*, much like that before us, came out; which the *true Author* was both ashamed and afraid to own; though all mankind seems now to be convinc'd that it was *yours*. In *this Libel* great pains were taken to make *two of the worst characters*, that ever were drawn, applicable to *two Gentlemen*. The whole world express'd their indignation against it; and *you*, to conceal yourself, encouraged a report that it was written by a *certain noble Lord*, which almost every body believed. A *Reply* came out; and two characters were drawn in it, of *yourself* and *your Brother*, which struck every body with the likeness. —— What mischief might have ensued would have lain entirely at your door, who gave occasion to have *another Gentleman* supposed the Author of it, and rejoic'd in the consequences of an affair, which you had been hatching. P. 61.

land had any necessity, or inclination *to quit that Office*, must be altogether false and impossible. —— Again, they represent Mr. P. speaking to the Honourable Person thus, *What! have you* stipulated *for a share of* Royalty *for yourself, &c?* Here the very foundation falls to the ground. *He had stipulated for no share of* Royalty, in exclusion of the P. and therefore could not tell Mr. P. so. The *late King* went abroad on *June the 15th* after this Reconciliation: Mr. Secretary *Craggs* was the only *Commoner* in the *Commission of Regency*; the *Honourable Person* was *excluded* as much as his *Royal Highness*. —— 6. How come they to be so exact in the narration? Did Mr. P. write these words down, or does he only remember them? If the story be *false*, as it *manifestly is*, who can ever be safe in his *acquaintance?* And if were *true*, who can be safe in any *confidence* reposed in him; since in the condition of an *enemy*, he will betray the most *sacred* and *tender* intercourses of a *former friendship?* —— 8. There is a contradiction in the *very terms* of the story. He says, that what he told *the Prince had some weight with* him; but at the end he makes an *erratum* thus, *this was* thought *to have had some weight*. — The *Case* does certainly stand thus; the *jealous* and *suspicious* Mr. P. suspected a reconciliation going forward; and, like SCRUB in the *Stratagem*, thought, *that it must be a* Plot, *because he did not know what to make of it*. Away he goes to the *Prince*, and tells him his fears. Now, as his *Royal Highness* best of all knew the *manner* of the Negotiation, and every thing that had been concluded; so he knew Mr. P.'s *ignorance of the affair*, and his *unreasonable jealousy*: in consequence of which, this attempt made no impression upon that *great Personage*. *P.* 4. *Col.* 1, 2.

As to the *solemn league and covenant* which he hath made, to *deliver* the honourable Person over to the *secular arm*, we will give him leave to do it *when he is able*; which we may reasonable presume will be *about the coming of Anti-Christ*. At present he might better keep his *Combination* secret, if he expects that any men of honour or worth shou'd hereafter *join his measures:* for many *Gentlemen in the opposition*, whom he charges with this *Combination*, are not a little scandalized, that they, who ever desired to be looked on as *temperate* and *dispassionate* men; that they, who always endeavoured to act in a manner *wholly* with regard to *things*, and unallay'd with *personal* considerations, should be *aspersed* with Designs, which they *know nothing* of, and which they are *heartily ashamed of*. The next time he publishes *his vows* and *his covenants*, he had best take some care to communicate *those*, which may *hurt* his enemies, and not *himself*. *P.* 4. *Col.* 1.

If this is true, where is your *gratitude* to *this Gentleman*; and may it not be said, that the weight of his great estate, to say no more, gave some strength to your opposition, and contributed to your *present elevation?* But we are willing to absolve you from this obligation; for he no more laid down his Employment for *your sake*, than You *raised* him. He laid it down, because he could not concur with the measures then carrying on; as he lost *another Employment* since, because he would not concur with *your measures*. —— But pray, Sir, how came you to blab out that foolish confession, that you design'd to push yourself into the Administration again by *publick necessity*. The publick calamity of the *South Sea Scheme* opened a door to your advancement. Several *great Men* dropt off, at that time, just as your own heart could wish. —— I must in this place put you in mind of one circumstance of that conjuncture, which ought never to be forgot; I mean, the infamous BANK CONTRACT, drawn up by your *own hands*, and cancell'd by your *own vile arts*, to the ruin of Thousands; a circumstance so void of all honesty, that even one of your most *abandon'd Mercenaries* have attempted to defend it, amongst all their various Apologies for your blunders, and vindications of your iniquities. P. 49, 50.

But did he not *extort* that account from me? Was not this the *Craftsman's* challenge? *Whose circumstances most demanded, whose* family *most required an increase of wealth and fortune?* P. 3. Col. 2.

What then, does he wholly forget, that these were the *Craftsman's* challenges, which all the world were *defied* to answer? *Who hath given greater proofs of* avarice, *&c? Ibid.*

Let every one judge, who are most fit for a lodging in *Moorfields*, Mr. *Walsingham*, or his honourable Adversary. *Ibid.*

Had I not *great reason* to imagine, that Mr. P. was himself concerned in those *sturdy* demands; since the *Writer* professed himself to be one, who was in the *knowledge* and *confidence* of his Patrons? Can Mr. P. justly complain of me for treating him as concerned in a *Paper*, which he hath *never disavowed*; especially, since he hath so *shamefully* abused a *great* and *honourable Person*, as Author or Director of a Pamphlet, *which he was wholly a stranger to? Ibid.*

How can he *prove*, that this Minister encouraged that *report?* I do affirm, that imputation *to be false*; and I defy him to make it appear in any other light. The *noble Lord* was not even suspected, or talked of, as the Author, 'till Mr. P. aspersed him in print. It was Mr. P.'s own *causeless* jealously, and most *unreasonable* suspicion, which made him *impute* that Pamphlet to the *noble Lord*; nor had the report any other rise or encouragement, than what Mr. P. and his *own Creatures* wickedly and maliciously gave it in which affair Mr. P. had neither the honour or justice to enquire of that *noble Lord*, whether his Lordship had *any concern* in it; but treated him in that *cruel* defamatory way, which met with the *just* and *severe* reproof it deserved, from one of so much *worth* and *spirit*. *P.* 4. *Col.* 1.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Courant.* | E P. *Evening Post.*
P. *Post-Boy.* | S J. *S. James's Evening Post.*
D P. *Daily Post.* | W E. *Whitehall Evening P.*
D J. *Daily Journal.* | L E. *London Evening Post.*

THURSDAY, *July* 15.

The report of the Hon. Geo. Evans being married to Miss Billinsley, is without foundation. *D J.* —— *This* report *was spread in the* D J. of yesterday. ——There is an account of the latest date from Jamaica, that Steph. Cornwallis, Esq; was recover'd from his late indisposition. *S J. W E. L E.*

Yesterday Mr. John Girle was unanimously chosen a Surgeon for S. Thomas's Hospital, in the room of Mr. Josh. Symonds, deceased. *D J.* There were 6 Candidates: Mr. Gurle serv'd his time with Mr. Chesselden. *D P.*

On tuesday the eldest son of Sir Hen. Goring of Sussex, Bar. was married at S. Paul's, to Miss Blackburn, a young Lady of great fortune. Yesterday Tho. Bladen, Esq; was married to Miss Barbara Janssen, 2d daughter of Sir Theodore, Bar. *D P.*

Yesterday Will. Morrice, Esq; resign'd his Office of High Bailiff of Westminster, and David Patten, Esq; was appointed by the Dean and Chapter High Bailiff. *D J. P.*

Yesterday Edw. Stafford, Esq; [Gent. *C.* Stafford Howard, Esq; *P.*] was tried at the Old Baily, for the murder of Tho. Manwaring, a Porter. The trial lasted 6 hours, when upwards of 30 witnesses were examined to prove him a lunatick, during which time he behav'd as such, never asking the evidences any questions, or making any defence; the Jury brought in their verdict lunacy. *D P.* —*This* behaviour *was the best* defence. —— We hear an appeal is lodg'd against him; and that to prevent his committing murder for the future, he is to be confined in a mad-house, in order for cure. *S J.*

Brigadier General Clayton has received a Commission to command in chief the Regiments that are to go on board Sir Cha. Wager's squadron from Gibraltar to Italy. *L E.* ——We hear that Sir Charles sailed from Spithead on tuesday. *P.* —— We hear from Portsmouth the fleet was on wednesday noon under sail. *C. D J.* 16.

The Master of the Horse to his Majesty is ordered to get ready a sufficient number of horses for his Majesty's progress into the north, &c. *S J.* —— *My Brother, in his very last* S J. *of tuesday last assured us, that* the King's intended progress to York City *was* intirely laid aside.

We hear that the Gentlemen of S. Olave in Southwark have collected in their parish (exclusive of what part of it in the Bridge-Ward collected by the Aldermen, &c.) upwards of 100 l. for the sufferers at Tiverton and Blandford. *P. D P.*

Yesterday a woman was try'd at Hicks's Hall, for defrauding one Mrs. Newton of 12 l. 13 s. on pretence of being a Cunning Woman, or Fortune teller, and, as such, being capable to bring home her son from the East Indies in a whirlwind; and also of procuring 3 men to fall in

love with the ſaid Mrs. Newton: after a long hearing the Defendant was acquitted. *D P.*

At the laſt Seſſions at Weſtminſter-Hall, a Bill of indictment was found againſt a certain Baronet of S. James's pariſh, for ſodomitical practices. *S J. W E.*

FRIDAY, *July* 16.

The Battallion of the firſt Regiment of Foot Guards quartered at Rocheſter, are ordered to remove to Deal, and the towns and villages adjacent to the ſea coaſt thereabouts. *D P.* ——— Early yeſterday morning the L. Cobham's Regiment of Horſe marched through the city in their way to Kent. *D J.*

On wedneſday orders were given for new painting the houſe of Baron Hartoff at S. James's, for the reception of his Royal Highneſs the Prince. *D J.*

Mr. Walker, Printer, Mr. Rayner, and Mr. Slow, Publiſhers, have been examined, and ordered to give 100l. bail each; and Mr. Lynn near Temple-Bar, Mr. Crichley, who keeps a Pamphlet ſhop near Charing croſs, and one Collins, a Journey-man Printer, were all bound in a bond of 20l. each, to appear at Hicks's Hall next Seſſions: for printing and publiſhing *Robin's Game*, or *Seven's the main*. *P.* — Mr Slow and Mr. Rayner gave 200l. bail. *P.* 17. Rob. Walker not finding ſufficient bail, was committed to Newgate. *C.* 17. Yeſterday he was admitted to bail. *P.* 15.

Yeſterday morning Mr. Mich. Ruſſel, jun. was married at Devonſhire Meeting houſe, to a Daughter of Mr. Metcalf, both Quakers. She had a fortune of 10,000 l. *P.* 5000 l. *C.* 15.

On Sunday a ſwarm of bees ſettled upon the ſide of the houſe of Mr. Lawton in Nicholas-Lane, and gathered to ſo large a cluſter, that it was thought proper to hive them, which was accordingly done, and the bees ſent into the country. It is highly probable, that ſuch a number of induſtrious animals has not been ſeen ſo near the Royal Exchange within the memory of man. *C.* ——— *I think my Brother is miſtaken: there are many* animals near the Exchange *as* induſtrious, *but they keep the* honey *to themſelves, and make others feel the* iting.

SATURDAY, *July* 17.

The Deputies and Common Council men of the ſeveral pariſhes of Farringdon without, have collected from door to door near 500 l. and paid it into the hands of Francis Child, Eſq; *D P.* ——— We hear from Briſtol, that the Congregation belonging to the Rev. Mr. Draper have collected upwards of 200 l. for the ſufferers by fire at Tiverton and Blandford. *C.*

The Court room of Chriſt's Hoſpital is now finiſhed with Venetian windows, in an elegant manner, and finely adorn'd, at the expence of Francis Child, Eſq; their Preſident, which coſt near 1000 l. *D P.*

'Tis talked that ſeveral Regiments of foot have received orders to march, with all expedition, from the north of England to the coaſts of Kent. *S J.*

MONDAY, *July* 19.

Hampton-Court, July 16. His Majeſty has been pleaſed to grant the dignity of a Baronet to Geo. Wynne, of Leeſwood, in the County of Flint, Eſq; *C.* &c. — The R. Hon. L. Effingham is appointed Lieut. Col. of the troop of Horſe Grenadiers, commanded by Col. Fane. *D J. P.*

The Hon. Sir Cha. Wager, who ſailed from Spithead on wedneſday, was obliged to put into Torbay, the wind being contrary. *P.* His ſquadron is as follows, 2 Namur; 3 Princeſs Amelia, Cornwall, Hampton Court, Edinburgh, Grafton, Buckingham, Kent; 4 Canterbury, Dreadnought, York, Exeter; 5 Kinſale. *C. P.*

Late on ſaturday night the Seſſions ended at the Old Bailey, when the 8 following perſons received ſentence of death, Tho. Granger, alias Corfeld, for ſtealing 38 [48. *P.*] guineas from his Maſter Ben. Huffam, Eſq; John Davies, for 2 robberies on the highway, and for murder; John Drinkwater, Bernard Fink, Wm. Yates, John Armſtrong, and Nath. Lamprey, for ſeveral ſtreet robberies; and Tho. Clarkſon for robbing Edw. Philips on the highway. 3 were burnt in the hand, and 32 ordered for tranſportation. *D P.*

The veſſel ordered by the Maſters and Wardens of Trinity houſe to lie at the buoy of the Nore, to light ſhips up the river, has 2 large lanthorns hanging out at the top-maſt-head, with 2 lamps in each lanthorn. To morrow ſhe goes to the Nore, and is to be made faſt juſt by the buoy by 2 large anchors big enough for a 4th rate man of war; the veſſel is about 19 tons. *P.*

We are credibly inform'd, that a Gentleman has found out the art of fixing Mercury by fire, and is ſo ſure of the experiment, that he is willing to demonſtrate it, and prove its wonderful effects to any perſon that is willing to be inform'd of it. *P.*

On Friday died at his houſe in Red-Lion Square, Sir Walter Yonge, Bar. Firſt Commiſſioner of the Cuſtoms, and Father of Sir Will. Yonge. *P.*

TUESDAY, *July* 20.

Yeſterday about 3 in the afternoon, a pitch pot, which was boiling in a boat between the Harbin and the Charming Mary, off Oliphant ſtairs, Rotherhith, took fire, and the flame was convey'd to the ſhips. The Charming Mary was cut looſe, and fell down with the tide to Hungover Hole, where ſhe was intirely burnt, as was a Snow, lately arrived from the Weſt Indies. *D J.* She ſet fire to 3 or 4 ſhips that lay at Hanover Hole. *D P.* The fire conſumed 5 ſhips, and damaged ſeveral others. *P.*

On wedneſday laſt Will. Cann, Eſq; Barriſter at Law, was unanimouſly choſen Town-Clerk for the City of Briſtol, a place worth 700 l. a year. *D J.* ——— We hear from Oxford, that the Rev. Mr. Euſebius Iſham, Brother to Sir Juſtinian, Bar. and late Fellow of Lincoln Coll. is elected Rector of the ſame. *D P.* ——— Mr. Perkins, an Attorney in Abchurch-lane, is appointed Under-Sheriff to Sam. Ruſſell, Eſq; for the year enſuing. *P.*

Dover, July 18. Yeſterday came into this harbour, the Content Hoy, belonging to the Board of Admiralty. We hear ſhe is laden with guns, ammunition, &c. and they talk of 40 new pieces of cannon, with carriages, &c. for the Caſtle, as alſo proportionable for the 2 Forts, Artcliff and the Bulwark. *P.*

This morning Mr. Richard Francklin was taken into cuſtody by ſeveral of his Majeſty's Meſſengers, at his houſe in Ruſſel-ſtreet, Covent-Garden, for the late Pamphlet call'd, *An Anſwer to one Part of a late infamous Libel, intitled Remarks on the Craftſman's Vindication of his two Honourable Patrons, in which the Character and Conduct of Mr.* P. *is fully vindicated; in a Letter to the moſt noble Author, &c.* and was carried to Hampton Court to be examined. *S J. L E.*

The Admiralty has received no account of Sir Charles Wager's ſquadron, ſince the ſame was out of ſight from Spithead; ſo that the report of Sir Charles's being driven into Torbay is without foundation. *L E.*

'Tis talk'd that a camp will be form'd on the coaſt of Kent for the forces lately march'd thither, and we hear that orders are given for tents and other neceſſaries to be got ready. *S J.*

WEDNESDAY, *July* 21.

Yeſterday morning John Francklin of Wysbych, Eſq; was married at Finchley Church to Miſs Foſter of Barfort near Bedford, a young Lady of 20,000 l. fortune. *D P.*

On ſunday morning laſt, the wind being fair at N. E. and blowing a freſh gale, Sir Charles Wager ſet ſail from Torbay with the Fleet under his command, for Italy, and was ſoon out of ſight of land. *P.*

William Morrice, Eſq; late High Bailiff of Weſtminſter, has given 500 l. towards finiſhing the new Dormitory for the King's ſcholars of Weſtminſter ſchool. *D J.*

The Right Hon. the E. of Dunmore, Col. of the third regiment of foot-guards, is appointed by his Majeſty to be one of the Gentlemen of his Majeſty's bed-chamber; and we hear his Lordſhip will ſhortly be made a Knight of the Thiſtle. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday began the Quarter Seſſions of the Peace for the Royalty of the Tower of London, and the Liberties and Precincts thereof, at the new Court Houſe on Great Tower Hill, where Sir John Gonſon being in the Chair, with his uſual eloquence gave a charge to the Grand Jury of about half an hour. It is very remarkable, this Charge was very different from that which he gave the 8th inſtant at the Weſtminſter Seſſions; this learned Gentleman always finding ſomething to ſay that is New and Entertaining on theſe occaſions. *P.* — *Were I a ſtranger to* Sir John's *great Genius, I ſhould think him aſſiſted by ſome great* Lawyer *or* Divine.

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

For Mr. ——— *to be left at his Chambers in Grub ſtreet.*

SIR,

THO' my Hand trembles and my Eyes are allmoſt blind, I can not forbear ſending you my beſt thanks for the *True* Grubean Letter you publiſh't laſt week in my name, it is certainly ſo very full of wit that you have done me too great an Honour and I can not tell how to get out of your debt, and yet I fear part of the obligation is due to a ſecond Perſon, for one ſingle Head could never find *Stuff* enough for ſuch a worthy and learned Epiſtle, I therefore fancy you call'd in the aſſiſtance of Glib Tongued wife of a certain Gentlemen *Tai or* who faneys like your dear ſelf She has wit enough to ſerve a whole Pariſh, but I will now lay by the wit and come to the Malice of it which is I own inimatable and there I believe ſhe helpt you again, but as you are a Friend I do not much care if I give you the Merit of that intirely to your ſelf.

As for the Liquor you ſpeak of, had it been Eleemoſynary it wou'd have had no fault and had I never deſired to be paid for it I ſhou'd have had none neither but a Dun is the Devil and I was the Devil upon Dun. The *Novels* may e'ne fight their own Battles all I ſhall ſay for or againſt them is, that they are too unfaſhionable to have one word of Baudy in them, the Readers are the beſt judges and to them I appeal, it is a pitty any Gentleman ſhou'd make himſelf a Lier where ſo many are ready to confute him, but he is doubtleſs a Great Man, and yet by my troath, I think he has very little to do now the Grand affair is over, however he has written a ſpeech that make every body Laugh tho' there is not one jeſt in it.

Cambridge, July 29, 1731.

SIR, *Fleet Priſon, July* 19, 1731.

THE Soldiers ſtill continue to keep garriſon in his Majeſty's priſon of the Fleet; and the ſuffering Gentlemen ſtill remain on the common ſide, moſt of them in a ſick and languiſhing condition; yet none are permitted to go up, even into the yard, for the benefit of air, or ſo much as to the Chapel; except one, at the point of death, whoſe friends, through interceſſion and proper application, have prevailed on the Warden to allot him a room, to breath out his laſt, on the maſter's ſide. All their hopes now are, that, if they live 'till the Parliament ſits, the honourable Repreſentatives of the whole Nation will then charitably incline their ears to the complaints of theſe unhappy perſons, and, according to their wonted juſtice and mercy, deliver them out of their diſtreſs.— 'Tis ſaid the Warden, triumphing in the advantage he has lately gained over them, expects they ſhould ſeverally aſk his pardon, as well as pay coſts, before they are reſtor'd to their chambers on the maſter's ſide: but, as they were not the firſt aggreſſors, I am much miſtaken if they will not ſooner embrace death in the dungeon where they are cloſe lock'd down, than make any ſubmiſſion. It has indeed prov'd a very fortunate misfortune to ſeveral of them, who have been, and are about being entirely releas'd out of confinement on this very account: for their friends and relations, nay their rigid creditors, ſhock'd at the wretched deplorable ſcene, have been mov'd to compromiſe their affairs, and ſet them at liberty. And would others follow, this Example towards their own relatives or debtors, thus grievouſly diſtreſs'd, it might ſave many lives: and I think they cannot do a greater act of charity, who am, Sir,

Your moſt devoted humble Servant,

J. W.

Friend BAVIUS,

I Often divert my ſelf with a Weekly Paper publiſhed by thee, called *The Grub-ſtreet Journal*, and tho' I am not ſoon affected with light things, to confeſs the truth, thy jocular vein pleaſeth me much; and I wiſh thee well, tho' I know thee not. There is one thing only I diſlike in thee, that is, thou ſeemeſt not charitable; for thou expoſeſt the frailties of thy brother the SPEAKER, or (as he calleth himſelf) the ORATOR. I pray thee, Friend Bavius, puſh not thy victory over him ſo far, as to make thee ſeem cruel. Thou haſt plainly ſhewed his backſlidings, and his follies haſt thou revealed; inſomuch that he has been forced to deny in the *Daily Journal* of the 9th inſt. that he was the Author of a Paragraph, which I verily believe, I ſaw ſigned with his own name, in the *Daily Journal* of the 6th, and which thou gaveſt us in rhime in thine of the 8th. I was once in great hopes, that he would have come unto the true light: but now I am certain, that he hath no light in him; and thou haſt convinced me, that he hath not even the dark glimmerings of human reaſon and profane learning, to guide his ſteps. Of this many of his Auditors I hear, are become ſenſible, and have intirely left his meeting; and that the few who ſtill reſort thither, are under much ſhame and confuſion of face; ſome of which I hope they will at laſt communicate to their Teacher.

From the riſing moon: the 13th Day of the 7th Month commonly called July. I am thy Friend unknown,

W. G.

EPIGRAM.

HUGH PETERS ſenſe, voice, language, action, mien,
And front, are all in H—— Y heard, or ſeen:
Which plainly proves this learn'd *Clare-market* Rorer
OF ANCIENT ELOCUTION THE RESTORER.

Edinburgh, July 8. We have letters from Air, which aſſure us, that Campbell and Cnnningham, lately eſcaped from the City jail, were laſt week taken up there. *C. P. D P.* 15. ——— *July* 13. Laſt wedneſday a woman was execute at Perth, for the murder of her child begot by her own father. ——— Yeſterday the Royal Company of Archers ſhot for the Silver Arrow, and the ſame was won by the Laird of Roſlan. *P. D J.*

Dublin, July 13. Laſt week a young Fellow, having got a little drink in his head, was ſwimming in the river, where he ſunk to the bottom, about 10 foot deep, and remained there about 9 minutes, 'till a young man, a very good ſwimmer, with a Tanner's hook raiſed him up: he appear'd as dead, but being taken care of in a warm bed, he recovered. ——— There are Letters ſom Paris which ſay, that the Pretender was there incognito. *P.* 20.

Charles-Town in South Carolina, May 15. Laſt night an expreſs came down from Savanna Town, on the outſettlements, with advice of their being under very great apprehenſion of the Indians having formed a deſign of breaking into a war with us. *D J.* 15.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *July* 15.

Lisbon, June 27. Yeſterday the Pinnace belonging to the Lively man of war was delivered to the Britiſh Conſul, and 6 ſailors, who were ſeized with her, were releaſed,

last by who obſtructed the centinel when he enter'd the Court, are yet in priſon. The ſevere uſage of Capt. Onely and his people has ſo ſpirited up the populace, that it is not ſafe for the ſubjects of G. Britain to paſs the river in their boats, for fear of being ſtoned; and on ſhore they are forced to behave with the utmoſt caution. It is not doubted but his Britiſh Majeſty will demand ſatisfaction for the many injuries his ſubjects have received, and without which they muſt ſoon retire from hence, the putting up with former injuries and affronts having produced a contrary effect to what might have been expected. *E P. W E. L E.*

FRIDAY, *July* 16.

From the camp at Wehlow in Pruſſia, July 9. N. S. We have the moſt delicate fiſh and fowls, with abundance of woodcocks, and the beſt of other game. *C. --My Brother in the* D J. *of yeſterday gives us a different tranſlation.* The fiſh and fowl are moſt delicate, and we find alſo great plenty of the choiceſt *wild fowl*, and other game.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from Flanders.

Petersburg, June 27. Above 40 merchant ſhips are arrived in this port within theſe 8 days, amongſt which are 2 Spaniſh veſſels laden with goods for the account of the Ruſſian merchants. *D P.*

Rome, June 30. Signor Targa Coſcia, the Cardinal's Brother, was yeſterday conducted to the Caſtle of St. Angelo, and all his effects removed thither. *D P. P.*

SATURDAY, *July* 17.

This day arrived the Mail from Holland.

Seville, June 29. The troops before Gibraltar have been reinforced with ſeveral regiments. *WE. LE.* A Mooriſh Prince, one of the Pretenders to the crown of Morocco, had audience 2 days ago of the King, &c. Their Majeſties gave him a gracious reception, and were well pleaſed with his ſpeech. His name is Muley Hamet, and he has had ſeveral conferences with Don Joſeph Patinho. 'Tis ſaid he demands to be ſuccoured with 100 Horſe, and 50,000 muſkets; and promiſes, in caſe he aſcends the throne, to yield up Oran, Tangier, and ſome other places on the ſea-coaſt. An Ambaſſador is alſo arrived from King Muley Abdallah, to oppoſe Prince Muley Hamet. *WE.*

Caſſel, July 19. We have advice from Copenhagen, that the Treaty concluded in 1727, between France and Denmark, by which the latter engag'd itſelf to furniſh France with 12,000 men, on condition of certain ſubſidies, has been renewed for 6 months. *E P. L E.*

Vienna, July 11. Our laſt letters from Conſtantinople ſay, the Grand Vizier has aſſured the Emperor's Reſident, that their great naval Armament was not deſign'd againſt any Chriſtian Power. *L E. WE.*

MONDAY, *July* 19.

Conſtantinople, June 15. N. S. The Perſian Chan or Prince, who in the battle fought laſt April near Erivan, had the misfortune, among a great many others, to be taken priſoner by the Turks, having been conducted hither, was at firſt very kindly received by the Sultan: but their friendſhip was very ſhort-lived; for the Grand Seignor having done that Perſian the honour to hold a converſation with him about the affairs of his country, and having aſked him, among other things, whether his Maſter Schach Thamas would be content with the conqueſts he had already made, the captive Chan reſolutely anſwered him, No; but he might depend on it, the Shach his Maſter deſigned to conduct his army to Scutari on the other ſide of the Sea, in Aſia Minor, over againſt Conſtantinople. Which bold anſwer the Ottoman Emperor took ſo much in dudgeon, that without regard to his character, he immediately ordered him to be beheaded before the windows of his apartment. *P.*

TUESDAY, *July* 20.

Yeſterday arrived the Mails from France *and* Holland.

Paris, July 25. The 8000 men, formerly mention'd, that were on their march towards the ſea coaſt, are diſpos'd of in the garriſons of Calais, Dunkirk, Ardres, St. Omer, Bergues, and Graveling. *D P. D J.*

Milan, July 7. We learn from Parma, that the Phyſicians in a conſultation there have declar'd the Dutcheſs Dowager in the ninth month of her pregnancy: that her Highneſs will lie in in the middle of the great Guard-room, a wainſcot partition being erected for that purpoſe; and that the Foreign Miniſters and others, who have a right to aſſiſt thereat, will wait in the ſaid hall 'till the infant, whereof her Highneſs ſhall be delivered, be brought out and expoſed to publick view. *D P. D J.*

Leghorn, July 7. We have received advice by a ſhip arrived from Corſica, that the Governor of Ajaccio, hoping to ſurprize the rebels while they were buſy at their Harveſt, had for that end detached 300 men of his garriſon; but the rebels making a feint of retiring, drew them into an ambuſcade, and cut them all in pieces, ſo that none returned back to that city. *D J.*

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